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Cactus District Weekly Update

December 18, 2015

Welcome to this week's Cactus District Weekly Update!

[Cactus District Website](#)



Vice Mayor Hugh and Council attended a Legislative Breakfast on 12-11-15 to meet with our state legislators who represent Glendale.

Upcoming City of Glendale Holiday Notices

City of Glendale offices will have the following modified hours for the upcoming holidays: open from 8 a.m. to noon on Thursday, December 24 and



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Valley Metro to Hold Public Meetings on the West Phoenix/Central

closed Friday, December 25 for the Christmas holiday, as well as Friday, January 1 in observance of the New Year's holiday.

Scheduled garbage and recycling for all households will be shifted one day due to the holidays. Pickups normally scheduled for Christmas Day (Friday, December 25) will be serviced on Saturday December 26. Pickups scheduled for New Year's Day, (Friday, January 1) will be collected Saturday, January 2. The Glendale Municipal Landfill will close early on Christmas Eve (December 24) at noon, and will be closed on December 25 and January 1. For more information about the city's sanitation services, call 623-930-2660.

Valley Metro will be running a holiday schedule (Sunday service hours) on Thursday, December 24, Friday, December 25 and Friday, January 1. 'Gus 1' will be running a Sunday schedule (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) on both Thursday and Friday (December 24-25). 'Gus 3' will be running until noon on December 24 but will not run on December 25 ('Gus 2' will not run December 24 or 25). 'Gus 1' will run only a Sunday schedule (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) on New Year's Day. For Dial-a-Ride service on December 24 or 25, reservations should be made by noon on Thursday December 24, as the ride line will close at noon. ADA service will be available both days. For Dial-a-Ride service on January 1, reservations should be made by noon on Thursday, December 31. Reservations can be made by calling Glendale's Transit Division at 623-930-3500.

While the Glendale Municipal Airport will remain open during these holidays, the airport's administrative office will offer limited service until 7 p.m. on December 24 and will be closed December 25 and January 1. The Glendale Visitor Center will close at noon on December 24 and be closed December 25 and January 1.

Glendale's Foothills Recreations and Aquatics Center will be open on Christmas Eve from 7 a.m. to noon, closed on December 25 and open on December 26, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The center will also be open on New Year's Eve, December 31, from 5:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and January 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, call 623-930-4600.

For more information on Glendale's programs and services, visit our [website](#) or call 623-930-2000.

Glendale Transit Corridor Study

Valley Metro will hold two public meetings on the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. The purpose of the study is to identify what type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) and what route is best to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system on 19th Avenue in Phoenix. At each meeting, Valley Metro staff will present an overview of the recommended route and transit type, and provide an opportunity for questions and comments. The same information will be presented at both meetings.

Tuesday, January 19, 2016
6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)
Washington Activity Center
Multipurpose Room
2240 W. Citrus Way,
Phoenix 85019

Wednesday, January 20, 2016
6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)
Glendale Woman's Club
7032 N. 56th Ave.,
Glendale 85301

For more information, please contact Megan Casey, Community Outreach Coordinator, at 602.495.8274 or mcasey@valleymetro.org, or visit valleymetro.org/glendale.

Holiday Season Crime Prevention & Safety Tips

Vice Mayor Hugh and the Glendale Police Department would like to make sure you have a safe holiday season.

For list a of safety tips [Click here](#)

Glendale's From the Heart Application Season Nears

Glendale's From the Heart program puts donations made by residents and businesses to work every day to make life better for countless Glendale residents. Whether serving meals to the elderly, giving emergency help to homeless families or supporting abused children, From the Heart gives agencies providing services to our neighbors a helping hand.

Non-profit and community agencies wanting to apply for funds through the From the Heart program can attend a free application workshop on Monday December 21, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Glendale City Hall at 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, in room B3.

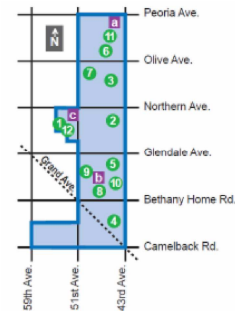
The workshop will walk participants through the application process and discuss deadlines while giving an overview of the From the Heart program.

Since starting in 1997, From The Heart -- largely funded by residents and businesses who add \$2 to their city utility bills each month -- has collected and distributed more than \$2.25 million to non-profit agencies in Glendale.

In the past, local agencies receiving From the Heart funds through a grant-application process have provided myriad of services to residents. Some of the grant-funded programs have focused on the positive development of youth, while others helped deliver nutritious, home-delivered meals to the frail and elderly and provide emergency programs for victims of domestic violence and abuse.

For more information or to reserve space in the application workshop please email Kristen Krey at kkrey@glendaleaz.com. For more information on From the Heart visit www.glendaleaz.com/fromtheheart/.

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Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden

7637 N. 55th Ave.
Located south of Northern Avenue on 55th Avenue

The Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden was developed to stimulate the senses of sight, sound, smell and touch. Through the use of specific plants and trees for texture and scent, water features for sound, touch and sight and evening lighting for dramatic visuals, this garden is one of Glendale's proudest locations.

Glendale Mayor Announces Coordinated Public Safety Effort for 2016 College Football National Champion

Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers today announced that fans attending the 2016 College Football National Championship can expect a high level of cooperation and coordination to ensure public safety during a series of valley events, culminating with the game itself to be held at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale on January 11, 2016.

Mayor Weiers was joined at today's news conference by representatives of local, state, and federal agencies, to present an overview of their combined efforts. For many weeks, the various agencies have joined together in Resource Working Groups (RWG), meeting with experts in fields that include cyber-crime, critical infrastructure protection, public health, intelligence gathering, interoperability and transportation. Their singular focus: to provide the public with a safe, welcoming, and enjoyable experience at the College Football Playoff's ultimate event and surrounding activities.

"The city of Glendale has established itself as a premier sports destination for tourists from around the world, and we welcome these Division I teams, players and fans to our community with open arms and invite them to take in Westgate Entertainment District, Historic Downtown Glendale and all that the valley has to offer," Mayor Weiers stated. "Our number one priority is the safety of everyone coming to enjoy this national championship game, and we have an incredible team dedicated to those public safety measures -a team that has demonstrated time and time again what it takes to successfully host an event of this caliber. Our partners in Phoenix and across the Valley are united in this effort to provide a fan experience unlike any other."

The national championship game caps the College Football Playoff (CFP) and is the culmination of the 2015-16 bowl season. A committee of 13 athletic directors and other leaders select teams from the five major NCAA conferences to play in bracketed semi-finals. The top two finishers then compete for the national championship. Although Glendale has played host to two Super Bowls and two BCS (Bowl Championship Series) championships, this is the city's first CFP. The City of Phoenix will host a variety of signature fan events in the days leading up to the game including College Football Playoff Fan Central

Watch a video on the park [here](#).



Rose Lane Park

51st Avenue and Marlette Avenue

Open: 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.

This community park is 19 acres and features an aquatics center, open in the summer, and the Rose Lane Recreation Center.

The community center features after-school activities for children.

Rose Lane Park includes:

Lighted ball field
Lighted basketball court
Two lighted volleyball courts
Four lighted racquetball courts
Playground
Picnic tables
Grills
Restrooms

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[Aquatic center](#)
[Recreation center](#)



Rose Lane Recreation Center

held at the Phoenix Convention Center January 8 - 10, 2016.

For more information about the CFP, please visit www.collegefootballplayoff.com and www.visitglendale.com/gotgame. To learn more about the City of Phoenix, please visit www.phoenix.gov.

For more information about the City of Glendale, please visit www.glendaleaz.com.

December 2015 Event and Activity

The following featured events are offered from Glendale's Parks and Recreation and Library divisions in December. The programs are free unless otherwise stated. To see many more events and activities, visit www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation and www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Youth Baseball/Softball Clinics

9 to 11 a.m., Monday, December 21 or Tuesday, December 22, at the Sahuaro Ranch Sports Complex, 9895 N. 63rd Ave.
Register by Friday, December 18
Throwing, catching, hitting and running are the fundamentals of youth baseball and softball. Winter break could be the perfect time for children, ages 7-15, to enhance their baseball/softball skills. Baseball and softball coaches from Valley schools are volunteering their time to assist with all aspects of the clinic. Registration fee is \$10 per clinic. For more information, call 623-930-2841. To register, call 623-930-4600 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation.

*Tell Your Story: Duct Tape

5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Monday, December 21, at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
Make awesome things out of duct tape, or begin work on your duct tape prom dress. Bring your creativity for this unique event. For teens, ages 12-18 only. Registration began December 7. For more information and to register, call 623-930-3537 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Tunetime Tuesday

11 a.m., Tuesday, December 22, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

5003 W. Marlette Ave.
623-930-7945

Heart for the City Hours:
Monday - Friday, 2-7 p.m.

The Rose Lane Recreation Center features after-school activities for children, including open recreation; soccer; water fun; arts and crafts; reading time; and weekly movies with popcorn. [More Information](#).



Rose Lane Aquatics Center

5003 W. Marlette Ave. *
623-930-7905
(east of 51st Ave., north of Bethany Home Rd.)

This seasonal facility is only open to the public during the summer.

Activities include full facility aquatic rentals, seasonal private swim lessons, group swim lessons, and summer public recreation swimming. This facility includes a large, zero depth entry leisure pool with spray features, a splash pad, a giant slide, a kiddie slide, and a big pool with a diving well and a diving board. Rose Lane has outdoor "day use" lockers. Please bring your own lock or you may

Move and groove at the Velma Teague Library! Children 2-6 years old can sing and dance with Miss Janet during this 30-minute music-based program. An adult must accompany participants three years old and under. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

G.R.A.S.P. Winter Break Program

7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday, December 28 through Thursday, December 31, at Sahuaro Ranch Elementary, 10401 N 63rd Avenue, Room 5A
The Glendale Recreation After School Program (GRASP) is a licensed recreation program in which children enjoy enrichment opportunities and explore fun new experiences with their friends in a supervised environment. For \$25 per day, kids can participate in arts and crafts, recreation activities, guest speakers, field trips and much more! \$10 registration fee is charged for new GRASP participants. Morning and afternoon snacks are provided. Please send your child with a lunch. For more information, call 623-930-2724 or email anelson@glendaleaz.com. To register, please call 623-930-2820.

***Tell Your Story @ Your Library & Go Mobile:** Tell Your Story programs explore storytelling in all its forms. Go Mobile programs increase technology skills and digital literacy. Programs for all ages will take place throughout 2015-2016. This project is supported by the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. For more information, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

purchase one at the Rose Lane Cashier's Office. This facility is only staffed when the pools are open for aquatic programming.

[View a Slide Show of the Rose Lane Aquatics Center here!](#)

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